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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

**Please amend paragraph no. [0080] as follows:**

[0080] The watercraft 30A has a modified remote controller 128A that comprises a housing and a lever position sensor or lever position sensing device 192 that is disposed in the housing and senses a position of a remote control lever 132. An electric wire 194 is connected to the ECU 53 of the electrical control set 148 to provide a command signal that corresponds to the position of the control lever 132. The electric wire 194 preferably has a coupler or connector that can be coupled to the coupler or connector of the ECU 53. The remote controller 128A and the electric wire 194 in this arrangement together form an electrical control unit 196 or an “electronic remote device”. The ECU 53 controls the throttle valve actuator 106 and the shift actuator (not shown) based upon the command signal.